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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, BG
SUBJ: PRESENCE OF ABU SAYEED CHOWDHURY IN BANGLADESH

1. ABU SAYEED CHOWDHURY, WHO WAS A PRESIDENT OF BANGLADESH DURING MAJIB REGIME (1972-73) AND FOREIGN MINISTER DURING KHONDAKAR MUSHTAQUE'S BRIEF REIGN, RETURNED TO BANGLADESH FROM LONDON APRIL 13. HIS ARRIVAL WENT UNREPORTED IN THE MAJOR PRESS, ALTHOUGH IT WAS NOTED IN A PUBLICATION PUT OUT BY GENERAL OSMAN'S JANATA PARTY. SINCE HIS RETURN LAST WEEK, THERE HAVE BEEN REPORTS THAT CHOWDHURY HAS MET WITH TOP-LEVEL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

2. COMMENT: THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME THAT CHOWDHURY HAS RETURNED TO BANGLADESH; HE APPARENTLY CAME TO DACCA BRIEFLY IN EARLY 1976, STAYED FOR A FEW DAYS, AND RETURNED TO LONDON. THERE ARE REPORTS (UNCONFIRMED) THAT ZIA, NOW THAT HE HAS ASSUMED THE PRESIDENCY OF BANGLADESH, MAY MAKE USE OF CHOWDHURY. IF SO, IT WOULD INDICATE A
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REVERSAL OF CHOWDHURY'S RECENT STANCE AS HE HAS REPUTEDLY BEEN ACTIVE IN LONDON AS A CRITIC OF BANGLADESH UNDER ZIA.
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